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In re the Application of: JENSEN et al..

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Filed: April 15, 1998

Examiner: D. ROMEO

For: MODIFIED TNF- α MOLECULES, DNA ENCODING SUCH AND VACCINES
COMPRISING SUCH MODIFIED TNF- α AND DNA**AMENDMENT**Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The instant amendment responds to the Office Action mailed January 20, 2000.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Substitute the Abstract attached, hereto, as a separate sheet, in place of the original Abstract.

REMARKS

Claims 50-72 remain active and are presented for reconsideration.

A new abstract on a separate sheet, as required, is submitted herewith.

The instant Office Action contains an objection to the Amendment filed July 20, 2000, for allegedly introducing new matter into the disclosure. Reconsideration is requested, since the objection incorrectly characterizes the language at issue as "new matter."

The Amendment filed July 20, 2000, added material to the specification as follows:

At page 15, line 23, insert --SEQ. ID. NO.: 339737 Gen Bank Accession No. M10988-- after "Figure 3(a)."

At page 16, line 6, insert --SEQ. ID. NO.: 339737 Gen Bank Accession No. M10988— after "Figure 3(b)."

According to the Office Action (page 8), the material added to pages 15 and 16 of the specification

NOT ENTERED